

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2875
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FAMILY PENSION TO PRE-1986 PENSIONERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the family pension scheme, 1972 is applicable to all pre-1986 and post-1986 service personnel of all the three services uniformly;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of applications for family pension pending with Air Force Record Office (AFRO)/Dy. Controller of Defence Accounts (Air Force), New Delhi respectively as on July 15, 2000;
- (d) the number of applications of pre-1986 pensioners out of the above which were received before January 1, 1998 and are still pending clearance with AFRO/Dy. CDA (AF), New Delhi;
- (e) the reasons for such a long pendency;
- (f) whether the AFRO, New Delhi has received some complaints/representations from the pre-1986 Air Force personnel in this regard; and
- (g) if so, the action taken thereon and the time by which all the family pension cases of pre-1986 pensioners are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): The family pension scheme, 1972 is applicable to Central Civil Pensioners / Defence Civilian Pensioners only. For Armed Forces pensioners, there is a separate scheme of 1964, as amended from time to time. This family pension scheme is applicable to all pre and post-1986 cases of all the three services uniformly.

(c) Number of pending applications is as under:-

- (i) Air Force Record Office (AFRO) : 750
- (ii) Dy. Controller of Defence Accounts (Air Force) : 50

(d) Number of applications received before 1-1-1998 is as under:-

- (i) AFRO : Nil
- (ii) Dy. CDA(AF) : Nil

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Yes, Sir.

(g) Family pension in all the cases including the 800 cases as above have already been consolidated in terms of Orders dated 24.11.1997. However, further revision is pending in terms of order dated 14.7.1998 and 7.10.1999. All Pension Disbursing Agencies have been instructed to revise the Ordinary Family Pension at the earliest as per the extant instructions issued by Ministry of Defence.